

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 828
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A RESOLUTION to propose amendment of Article VI, Section 5,
of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, to
provide for popular election of the attorney
general and reporter.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED
THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the
yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that:

Article VI, Section 5, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee be amended by
deleting the first sentence and by substituting instead the following:

An attorney general and reporter shall be elected by the qualified voters
of the state and shall hold office for a term of four years. The attorney general
and reporter shall be at least thirty years of age, shall be a citizen of the United
States, and shall have been a citizen of this state at least five years prior to
election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon ratification of the amendment proposed herein
at the November 2006 general election, popular elections for attorney general and reporter shall
commence at the November 2008 general election and shall be held every four (4) years
thereafter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon ratification of the amendments proposed herein
at the November 2006 general election, until the November 2008 general election, the supreme
court shall retain its current powers with respect to filling the office of attorney general and
reporter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing be referred to the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk of the house of representatives is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the secretary of state.